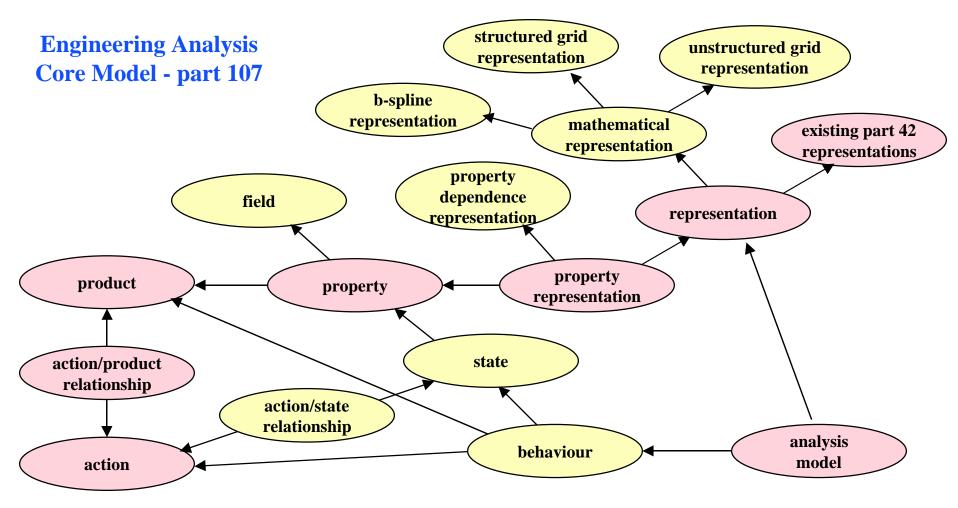
## Why the EACM



- AP 209 supports the exchange of a particular Finite Element Analysis solution to a problem
- We need to exchange the problem
  - » The same problem can have many approaches to its solution
- Engineering analysis is multi-disciplinary
  - » thermal, radiative, CFD, structural dynamics, control systems
  - » mixes of different solution methods
  - » links to material and product test data
- Put modules together to suit the problem

# Modules for engineering analysis





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# **Modularisation adds strong semantics**



#### STEP began in piece part manufacture, so:

- a product is not an individual thing but a specification to which we can make many individual things
- a process plant or electrical network consists of individual things
- a material batch (which is supplied and tested) is an individual thing
- an analyse or test activity is carried out on an individual thing

## **Conclusions**



### first objective - reap benefits from AP 209

- » new opportunities in benchmark publishing
- » AP 209 showcase
- » AP 209 translator validation

## broaden the scope of engineering analysis

- » more disciplines and new solution methods
- » measurements and test data
- » use of the mathematical representation schema

## a repository of engineering analysis information

- » archiving of engineering analysis information
- » data sharing and integration of engineering analysis information

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